

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Forest Department - Disciplinary action against Sri M. Anandam, Deputy Range Officer (Retd), formerly Gadwal Section, Social Forestry, Mahabubnagar Division – Imposition of punishment of 5% cut in pension for a period of (10) years besides recovery of Rs. 1,91,000/- – Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 57

Dated: 25-04-2019

Read the following:

- Ref:-1. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No.14833/2015-Vig3, dt. 18-09-2016.
2. Govt.Memo.No.4132/For.III/A2/2016, Dt. 20-01-2017.
3. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No.14833/2015-Vig3, dt. 03-06-2017.
4. Govt. Memo.No.4132/For.III/A1/2016, Dt. 29.07.2017.
5. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No. 14833/2015-Vig3, dt. 02-04-2018.
6. Govt. Memo.No.4132/For.III/A1/2016, Dt. 08.05.2018.
7. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No. 14833/2015-D&A3, dt. 17-07-2018.
8. Govt. Memo.No.4132/For.III/A1/2016, Dt.6.10.2018.
9. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No. 14833/2015-D&A3, dt. 16-12-2018.
10. Explanation of Sri M. Anandam, Dy.R.O (Retd) dt. 05.12.2018.
11. Govt. Letter No.4132/For.III/A1/2016, Dt.05.01.2019.
12. From Secretary, TSPSC Lr.No.17/RT/TSPSC/2019, Dt.03.04.2019.

ORDER:

Whereas, the following Articles of Charges were issued against Sri M. Anandam, the then Deputy Range Officer, Gadwal Section (SF) Mahabubnagar Division vide Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad Rc.No. 160 /2015/M2/M3, dt. 28.04.2015 :

- Article-I : Gross negligence of the duty which resulted in poor maintenance of nurseries at Gadwal and violation of Rule 3 (5) of A.P.Conduct Rules, 1964.
- Article-II: Misappropriation of Government Funds for the works related to Avenue Plantations executed at Social Forestry Range Gadwal of Gadwal Section.
- Article-III: Neglected his primary duty and violated the Rule 3 (1) and Rule 4 (i) of A.P. Conduct Rules 1964 and also failed to maintain the Head quarters ie., Gadwal.

The Charged Officer has acknowledged the Articles of Charge on 07.05.2015 and submitted his Written Statement of Defense on 13.05.2015. After Considering the W.S.D, the Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad has appointed Divisional Forest Officer, Mahabunagar and Divisional Forest Officer, (SF), Mahabubnagar Division as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer respectively for conducting enquiry. The Inquiry Officer has submitted Inquiry Report with findings vide Divisional Forest Officer, Mahabubnagar Rc.No.656/S3/2015, Dated 23.07.2015 wherein, he found that the charges

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levelled against the Charged Officer are proved. The Inquiry Report was communicated to the Charged officer vide C.F., Hyderabad Rc.No.160/2015/M2/M3, dt. 06.10.2015. The Charged Officer has acknowledged the same on 09.10.2015. The Charged Officer has submitted his representation on the Inquiry Report on 09.11.2015. Since the Charged Officer has retired from service on 30.06.2015 on attaining the age of superannuation, the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

2. Government considering the findings of the Inquiry Officer, representation of the Charged Officer on the Inquiry Report and findings of Inquiry Authority, remarks of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, and all the material made available, have provisionally decided to impose a Penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of 10 years besides recovery of Government loss of an amount of Rs. 1,91,000/- from the terminal benefits of Sri M. Anandam, Deputy Range Officer (Retd) under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly a Show Cause Notice was also issued to the Charged Officer U/R 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980 vide Govt. memo 8th read above for his explanation, on the proposed punishment. The Charged Officer has submitted his explanation on 05.12.2018. Government after considering the explanation of the Charged Officers, have decided to confirm the punishment of 5% cut in pension for a period of 10 years besides recovery of Government loss of an amount of Rs. 1,91,000/- from the terminal benefits of Sri M. Anandam, Deputy Range Officer (Retd) as the explanation of the Charged Officer is not convincing. The Telangana State Public Service Commission has concurred the above proposal, vide their letter 12th read above.

3. Accordingly, Government hereby impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of 10 years besides recovery of Government loss of an amount of Rs. 1,91,000/- from the terminal benefits of Sri M. Anandam, Deputy Range Officer (Retd) formerly Gadwal Section, Social Forestry, Mahabubnagar Division under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

AJAY MISRA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad.
The individual (through the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Telangana, Hyderabad)

Copy to:

The Accountant General (A&E), Telangana, Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Telangana, Hyderabad.
The Secretary, Telangana State Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
(w.r.t. their Lr.No.17/RT/TSPSC/2019, Dt:3-04-2019)

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SECTION OFFICER